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### **North Pima Regional Director's Report April 19, 2013**

#### **Statewide Updates**

- ❖ The **State Board met** on April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. North Pima did not have items sent to the board for approval. An update will be provided by the Communications Team and disseminated to regional council members soon.
- ❖ As the **Quality First** model continues to evolve and grow, **proposed changes** are being internally vetted and will be released for public comment in the coming weeks. If approved, any changes would take effect in FY15.
- ❖ **Board and Regional Council Roundtable discussion** occurred March 6 with Chairman Steven Lynn, Member Janice Decker, and Ex-Officio Member Brad Willis who represents DES in attendance. Thank you to regional council members who were able to attend.

#### **Regional Updates**

- ❖ The **contract renewal process** is underway; all renewal applications were issued by FTF finance team and have been submitted by grantees for FTF internal review. There are a total of 5 grant renewals for consideration and possible approval by the regional council during the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. **It is imperative all members are present at the meeting to ensure quorum.** Grant renewals will be considered by the FTF Board at their meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Donelson Consulting**, the Regional Needs and Assets Report vendor for North, Central, and South Pima, as well as Cochise, is currently **working on ideas for the base report** and in the coming months, regional councils will be presented with this information. Consultants meet regularly with Evaluation Team at FTF to ensure a smooth report development process and open lines of communication.
- ❖ Regional Councils and community members met on April 18<sup>th</sup> to provide feedback on the **Regional Boundary Taskforce recommendations**. Feedback will be compiled and provided to the taskforce to be considered at their May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, at which they will draft final recommendations that will then go to the state board in June.
- ❖ **If you haven't completed your required trainings** or all of your regional council paperwork, please do so as soon as possible. Vanessa has provided required paperwork and instructions on completing the trainings. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact Vanessa.
- ❖ **Fiscal Year 2013 Quarter 2 Data Report** is attached to the packet for your reference.
- ❖ **Fiscal Year 2013 Expenditure Report** is attached to the packet for your reference.
- ❖ **Cross-regional Benchmarking** process update is attached to the packet for your reference.
- ❖ **Community Outreach Report** is attached to the packet for your reference.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- **May 10:** Family Support Conference-Sheraton 5151 E. Grant Rd., 7am-4:30pm
- **May 17:** North Pima Regional Council Meeting-Location TBD, 11am
- **May 20:** First Things First Tucson Office Open House-3610 N. Prince Village Pl. Ste. 100, 2:30pm-5pm